

NOT OF IT #1
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“If the world hates you, you know that it has hated Me before it hated you. If you were of the world, the world would love its own; but because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, because of this the world hates you.”

John 15:18-19 NASB

KOSMOS: DEFINING “WORLD” BIBLICALLY

kosmos (neutral) = _____ (John 1:10)

**kosmos (non-neutral) = _____
_____ (John 7:7)**

kosmos (spiritual) = _____ (1 Cor. 2:12)

“not of the world” = _____

“NOT OF THE WORLD” INVOLVES BEING ...

OF _____.

“I have revealed you to those whom you gave me out of the world.” John 17:6 NIV

“So then, no more boasting about human leaders! All things are yours, whether Paul or Apollos or Cephas or the world or life or death or the present or the future—all are yours, and you are of Christ, and Christ is of God.” 1 Cor. 3:21-23 NIV

“Giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in Light. For He rescued us from the domain of darkness, and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son,” Colossians 1:12-13 NIV

OF _____.

“I have given them Your word; and the world has hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. I do not ask You to take them out of the world, but to keep them from the evil one. They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.” John 17:14-16 NASB

“And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.” Romans 12:2 NASB

OF _____.

“But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all the truth; for He will not speak on His own initiative, but whatever He hears, He will speak; and He will disclose to you what is to come. He will glorify Me, for He will take of Mine and will disclose it to you.” John 16:12-14 NASB

“What we have received is not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may understand what God has freely given us which things we also speak, not in words taught by human wisdom, but in those taught by the Spirit, combining spiritual thoughts with spiritual words. But a natural man does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually appraised. ¹⁵ But he who is spiritual appraises all things, yet he himself is appraised by no one. For WHO HAS KNOWN THE MIND OF THE LORD, THAT HE WILL INSTRUCT HIM? But we have the mind of Christ.” 1 Corinthians 2:12-16 NASB

OF _____.

Jesus answered, “My kingdom is not of this world. If My kingdom were of this world, then My servants would be fighting so that I would not be handed over to the Jews; but as it is, My kingdom is not of this realm.” Therefore Pilate said to Him, “So You are a king?” Jesus answered, “You say correctly that I am a king. For this I have been born, and for this I have come into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth hears My voice.” John 18:35-37 NASB

“Join together in following my example, brothers and sisters, and just as you have us as a model, keep your eyes on those who live as we do. For, as I have often told you before and now tell you again even with tears, many live as enemies of the cross of Christ. Their destiny is destruction, their god is their stomach, and their glory is in their shame. Their mind is set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ,” Philippians 3:17-20 NIV

So we are Christ’s ambassadors; God is making his appeal through us. We speak for Christ when we plead, “Come back to God!” 2 Corinthians 5:20

FOR DISCUSSION:

WHY IS OUR “NOT OF THIS WORLD” IDENTITY IMPORTANT IN THIS CULTURAL MOMENT?

HOW CAN YOU BE DRAWN INTO BLENDING YOUR IDENTITIES WITH THE WORLD RIGHT NOW?

WHICH ASPECT OF BEING “NOT OF THE WORLD” IS MOST MEANINGFUL TO YOU PERSONALLY?

WHAT ACTION STEPS CAN YOU TAKE RIGHT NOW TO AMBASSADOR FOR YOUR KING AND HIS KINGDOM?